



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: April 22, 2003
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Referral to: Honorable Barbara Johnson, Chair Ways & Means/Budget Committee
Subject: **Execute Cooperative Construction Agreement with Minnesota Department of Transportation for Central Avenue Northeast Paving Project**

Recommendation:

1. Passage of resolution for City of Minneapolis to enter into Mn/DOT agreement No. 83008 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:
 - To provide for a lump sum payment of \$3,790,000 by the State to the City as the State's share of the costs of the construction to be performed upon, along and adjacent to Trunk Highway No. 65 (Central Avenue Northeast) from 27th Avenue Northeast to 37th Avenue Northeast under State Project No. 2710-31 (T.H. 65 = 105); and
 - To provide for transfer, from the State to the City, jurisdiction of portions of 7th Street, 8th Street South, 10th Street and Olson Memorial Highway currently designated as Trunk Highway, No. 55, and portions of 4th Avenue South and 5th Avenue South currently designated as Trunk Highway No. 65, all within the corporate City Limits.
2. Amending the 2003 Capital Improvement Appropriation Resolution 2002R-476 as follows:
 - Increase the appropriation for the Public Works Paving Construction Fund 4100 937 9372 T24 Central Ave NE (27th Ave NE – 37th Ave NE) for \$3,790,000 from the revenue source of State of Minnesota.

Previous Directives:

- Project Layout Approval, May 18th, 2001
- Street Designation, 2002R-020, February 1st, 2002
- Adopt Special Assessments, 2002R-073, March 22nd, 2002

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Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Other financial impact (Explain): The City of Minneapolis' eligibility for State-Aid funds will be increased.
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information Attached:

Central Ave NE (TH65) is a Trunk Highway route and one of the main routes through Northeast Minneapolis (see *Attachment 1*) that serves as a connection between the Minneapolis central business district and the northern suburbs. The roadway is bordered on the east by mainly residential properties and on the west by parkland, rail yard and cemetery. The existing roadway pavement is in poor condition with a deteriorating weed infested median.

The proposed project was approved by City Council on May 18th, 2001 and includes the following elements: reconstructing the roadway, improving safety by channelization and access control, improving the spacing and function of traffic signals, improving the flooding conditions at 34th Ave NE with the addition of a storm retention pond in Columbia Golf course, high level lighting and adding a recreational path between St. Anthony Parkway and Columbia Parkway.

This project is a cooperative project between the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation and the City of Minneapolis. Because this is a cooperative project the State is willing to participate in the costs of the construction in a lump sum amount equal to \$3,790,000 and the State will perform the construction engineering for Central Ave NE (TH65) at no cost or expense to the City of Minneapolis (see *Attachment 2, page 2*).

In addition, the cooperative agreement between the State and the City includes transfer of jurisdiction from the State to the City of Minneapolis of 3.21 miles of roadway for portions of 7th Street, 8th Street South, 10th Street and Olson Memorial Highway currently designated as Trunk Highway No. 55, and 1.25 miles of roadway for portions of 4th Avenue South and 5th Avenue South currently designated as Trunk Highway No. 65, all within the corporate City limits (see Attachment 3-5). All transferred segments may be designated municipal state aid streets, and if so, will be included in the City's future apportionment of state aid funds in accordance with Minnesota Rules, Chapter 8820, State-Aid Operations. All transferred segments are eligible to be placed on the municipal state aid system above the 20% mileage cap (see *Attachment 2, page 2-3*).

History of Trunk Highway Turnback – In the 1960's construction was started on the Interstate Highway system. These major roadways replaced the need for many of the two lane trunk highways in urban areas. When these trunk highways are re-designated (jurisdictional transfer) along the Interstate right-of-way the old roadway is released to the local agency as a turn back. State-Aid rules allow these turnbacks to be added to the local agencies "State-Aid System" on a 100% basis and drawing full needs funding which includes funding for construction and maintenance. The roadways then revert to local agency control with the local agency accepting all responsibility for construction and maintenance. Minneapolis has participated in these types of agreements several times in the past; as of to date, the turn back process has increased our State-Aid system by approximately 4.6 miles (see *Attachment 3,4*).

Therefore, it is requested that your Committee approves and executes the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation Cooperative Construction Agreement and the appropriation increase of \$3,790,000.

Attachment 1 - Central Ave NE Project Map

Attachment 2 - State of Minnesota Department of Transportation Cooperative Construction Agreement and Funding Source

Attachment 3 - Map: CSA & TH Turnbacks in Minneapolis

Attachment 4 - Map: Proposed Turnbacks as stated in Cooperative Construction Agreement

Attachment 5 - Photos: Photos of existing conditions of proposed roadway turnbacks

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Council Member Natalie Johnson Lee, Ward 5
Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7
Council Member Paul Zerby, Ward 2

Central Ave NE Paving Project
S.P. 2710-31, 141-010-74

Project Estimate with Funding Source

FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
State of Minnesota	\$ 3,790,000.00
Municipal State Aid (MSA)	\$ 3,531,015.00
Net Debt Bond	\$ 1,804,000.00
Special Assessments	\$ 430,100.00
TOTAL	\$ 9,555,115.00